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Dear Mr. Sherwood:

TRANSMITTAL OF THE, "ENGINEERING EVALUATION/COST ANALYSIS FOR THE 105-B REACTOR FACILITY," DOE/RL-2001-09, DRAFT A

Attached for your review is a copy of the subject document. This engineering evaluation/cost analysis (EE/CA) presents a Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) evaluation of removal alternatives, which conclude that the 105-B Reactor Facility continue surveillance and maintenance and mitigate hazardous substances to allow for public access into various portions of the facility for an interim period of ten years.

The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office review of this document will be held concurrently with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency review. The review period is April 24 through May 18, 2001. Revision 0 of the EE/CA is anticipated to undergo public comment during the 30-day review beginning June 18, 2001, followed by issuance of the Action Memoranda, which is the CERCLA decision document.

If you have questions, please contact Douglas C. Smith, of my staff, on (509) 372-1544.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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